

Will the broadcast flag interfere with consumers ability to make copies of DTV content for their personal use, either on personal video recorders or removable media?

Yes!

Would the digital flag interfere with consumers ability to send DTV content across networks, such as home digital networks connecting digital set top boxes, digital recorders, digital servers and digital display devices?

Yes, along with increasing the price and complexity of equipment.

Would the broadcast flag requirement limit consumers ability to use their existing electronic equipment (equipment not built to look for the flag) or make it difficult to use older components with new equipment that is compliant with the broadcast flag standard?

Yes, new equipment would be required.

Would a broadcast flag requirement limit the development of future equipment providing consumers with new options?

It would surely increase the cost and time to market, which would be passed onto consumers.

What will be the cost impact, if any, that a broadcast flag requirement would have on consumer electronics equipment?

Unsure of the exact amount, but yes, there would surely be a cost.

Other Comments:

I do not see adequate proof there is a problem that needs a legislative response (i.e. mandate for a "broadcast flag") at this time. This would seem to be a bill designed to remove users's "fair use" rights and increase the complexity and price of consumer equipment also.